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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, October 10.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .00.
Temperature, Max. 82; Min. 69. Weather, fair.

ESTABLISHED JULY 2, 1856.

SUGAR.—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 4.235c. Per Ton, \$84.70.
88 Analysis Beets, 11s. 6d. Per Ton, \$88.60.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS.

OPEN CRAFT IN KAU DISTRICT CHARGED

Police Alleged to Be Robbing Guileless Japanese.

Flagrant graft is charged against a number of police officers of Kau district, Island of Hawaii. The matter has been placed in the hands of the county officials there, and the sheriff has collected considerable evidence. What steps are to be taken against the grafters no one seems to know.

County Attorney Williams is lying critically ill, and his duties have been performed by Carl Smith, the Hilo attorney. A wireless dispatch on Saturday announced that the supervisors had had a squabble over Smith's salary and would not pay it, and it is thought that this decision has something to do with the determination of Acting County Attorney Smith to proceed against the grafters.

It is likely, also, that the Territory may step in and take a hand, because some of the alleged official pilfering is said to have been done before the counties were given the right to collect license fees under a law passed by the last Legislature.

So far not a police officer alleged to have been in the grafting game, has been suspended; yet Sheriff Pua, has documentary evidence of graft; so has License Collector Alfonso; so has Carl Smith; so has Julian Monsarrat, of Kapapala ranch, and so has Thomas Wills of Pahala.

Here is the system: Japanese in Kau district, in the towns of Pahala, Honouapo, Waiohinu, Punaluu and other smaller places, run small shops. There are stores for general merchandise, barbers, tobacco sellers, and many other branches for disposing of merchandise. Kau is an out-of-the-way sort of district and the license collector seldom gets around. But there are a number of police officers and a deputy sheriff there. From the various Japanese camps, Messrs. Monsarrat and Wills collected many receipts signed by various police officers of Kau district, each receipt stating the money was received for license fees. Dozens and scores of receipts have turned up. The matter became so bad that Sheriff Put and Alfonso were sent for. They went into the camps and collected receipts and they have these in their possession now. The receipts do not, it is charged, check against any stubs on the government books. Many receipts are for the period prior to the time the county was given power to collect fees.

It is said that Carl Smith, as acting attorney for the county, intended prosecuting, or at least bring the whole matter to the attention of the grand jury. Whether this determination and the decision of the supervisors not to pay him a salary have any connection is not yet known here.

The Attorney General will be notified of the whole occurrence and the evidence laid before him. It is likely, under the circumstances, that a member of the Attorney General's office will go to Hilo to investigate the matter.

As to the Kau police, it is related of them that some time ago one in particular had a habit of stopping Japanese driving along the government roads and telling them that they were driving too fast and therefore, violating the laws. In these instances he wheeled them into passing over their loose change, usually from \$3 to \$5. The cases were never heard of in the district courts and the transactions never appeared on the government records in the deputy sheriff's office. A Japanese minister was held up in this manner, and \$5 was suggested as a fee for settling the matter so that it would not inconvenience the minister by appearing in court. He replied that he did not have \$5. It was suggested that \$3 would fix the matter. He said he had no money. It was finally ended by the minister going to a Japanese store and borrowing fifty cents which was handed over to the police officer. That settled the matter and the case, for nothing was ever heard of the latter. This all sounds like a page from Dick Turpin's biography, but residents of Kau assert that they have evidence against the officers for such transactions.

Mr. Wills is in Honolulu at present and it is said has much of the evidence with him. He is not certain whether he will take up the matter with the Attorney General just now, but there is a strong likelihood that he will place all the papers in the case in the hands of Attorney General Hemenway before he returns to Hawaii.

PLAYED NEAR JUDGE'S HOME

Detectives Raid Paikau Game Near the Kaneohe Courthouse.

Within a stone's throw of District Magistrate Aikue's home in Kaneohe a large number of Chinese residents of that district have been dallying with the dice and buttons in the good old celestial game of paikau and fantan, occasionally. The information that somebody was running a game down Kaneohe way was brought to Chief Leal and the special officers made an excursion Saturday evening across the Pali and took a look.

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning the detectives returned, bringing sixteen prisoners, thirteen of whom are Chinese, one a Japanese and two, Koreans. Whether the superstitious number of Chinese will have any effect upon their cases when they come before Judge Andrade this morning remains to be seen. The officers secured considerable evidence in the way of cash, buttons and dominoes.

Tin Chong was found on Liliha street near Vineyard yesterday morning peddling fish, which is in violation of the board of health regulations. He was brought in by Officer Clark, and will be brought before the magistrate this morning.

NO CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Steamer Claudine Will Continue to Carry Mail to Hawaii.

Hilo is afraid of losing its mail by the Claudine, says the Kohala Midget, because the service doesn't pay the Inter-Island company.

James McLean, vice president of the Inter-Island company, when asked yesterday whether there is any intention of taking off the Claudine, said that the present contract of the company with the United States government does not expire until July of next year. Naturally, said he, this contract will be fulfilled.

He said that while it has been suggested that the Mauna Kea make a twice-weekly trip to Hawaii, so that the mails may be carried over to the Big Island, as usual, the company has not formed any opinion as to what should or ought to be done. When the government again calls for bids for carrying the mails, whatever changes are to be made will come up for consideration.

CABLE MANAGER IS ON THE WAY HOME

J. D. Gaines, superintendent of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company, arrived yesterday at San Francisco on his way from Canada, where he has spent a leave of absence of several months, to Honolulu, to resume his duties again.

The cable schooner Florence Ward is expected to arrive at Midway Island from Honolulu about Thursday next.

Will Launch Y. M. C. A. New Building Project

Over two hundred acceptances had been received Saturday night for the big Y. M. C. A. banquet at the Young Hotel tonight at 7 o'clock, and the acceptances since that time should bring the attendance up until this evening's banquet will be the largest and most representative banquet held in Honolulu in the memory of the oldest kamaaina. The object of the banquet and the list of speakers have awakened general interest, and assure the success of the gathering. The speakers and the topic of the evening are as follows:

R. H. Trent, as president of the association, will preside and open the speaking with a few remarks on the present need of the association, after which short address will be made by Governor Frear on the topic, Honolulu's Chief Asset—Young Men; Judge Dole will speak on, Honolulu United; ex-Governor Carter on, The Proper Method, and Judge Woodruff on the subject, Will It Pay?

C. M. Cooke's splendid gift of \$50,000 toward the association building project has acted as an endorsement of the association as an institution that can make proper use of a large sum of money. It was a vote of confidence that has called other men's attention to the Y. M. C. A. as a well- (Continued on Page Eight.)

The Supreme Patriarch of the West Hongwanji Buddhist Church Is Married to a Sister of the Crown Princess of Japan. His Brother, Soncho Otani, Heir to the Patriarchate, Will Arrive on the Mongolia this Morning.



COUNT KOJUI OTANI
Supreme Patriarch of the West Hongwanji Buddhist Church.

BUDDHIST PRINCE WILL ARRIVE HERE TODAY

Soncho Otani, peer of Japan, prince of the Buddhist church and brother and heir of Count Kojui Otani, supreme patriarch of the West Hongwanji Buddhist church, will arrive here this morning on the Mongolia. Elaborate plans have been made for the entertainment of the distinguished guest and the day will be a red letter event in the history of the West Hongwanji mission in Hawaii.

The Mongolia is due early this morning and at an early hour a large party of Japanese will gather on the waterfront. When the whistle announces the approach of the steamer, fireworks will be let off as a signal for all Buddhists to assemble at the wharf.

As quickly as the steamer docks, Soncho Otani will come ashore and will be escorted up King street to the Young Hotel. The march from the wharf to the hotel will be a triumphal parade, for this will be the first time that Soncho Otani has accepted the honors due his high rank since he left Japan several years ago for a tour of the world.

After a short rest at the Young Hotel, the distinguished guest will be escorted to the West Hongwanji Buddhist mission on Fort street. The line of march will be from the Young, along Hotel street to Fort, and mauka on Fort to the temple.

All of the Buddhist priests in the Territory have been summoned here for the occasion and are already on the ground. Also the teachers in charge of all of the Buddhist schools in the Islands, delegates from the Buddhist congregations on the various islands, officers of the head temple here, prominent members of the Buddhist women's associations and the members of the Young Men's Buddhist Association will be present.

The gathering of Buddhists will be the largest that has ever been known in this Territory. As Soncho Otani has found it impossible to stop over here for a week, as was the original intention, all of the ceremonies will have to be crowded into a part of the day. The future patriarch will continue his journey eastward on the Mongolia.

As soon as the procession reaches the Buddhist temple, Otani will deliver a sermon in the main chapel. This will be listened to by a vast congregation of prominent Buddhists. Immediately after the services in the temple, Otani will be conducted to the main hall of the new schoolhouse where the unique and impressive ceremony of the shaving of the heads will be performed. (Continued on Page 8.)

CRANE MAY NOT BE GIVEN THE CHINESE MISSION AFTER ALL

Rumor Says that Administration Does Not Approve of Utterances of New Minister on Certain Questions.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)
WASHINGTON, October 11.—The Hon. Charles R. Crane may not represent the United States in China after all. The newly-appointed envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Flowery Kingdom arrived here yesterday, in response to the call from Secretary Knox, and at once had a conference with the Secretary of State. There is a rumor current, in circles supposedly well informed, that the conference blasted the hopes of Crane as far as a diplomatic post in China is concerned.

Report has it that some of the utterances which the minister made in the course of interviews published in Chicago newspapers have not met with the approval of the administration. Crane talked rather freely on the Chino-Japanese situation, and this may have made the Secretary of State doubtful as to the wisdom of entrusting to him the delicate negotiations which will fall to the lot of the United States Minister to China during the next year or two.

At any rate, there is a report which appears to have considerable foundation that Mr. Crane's interviews caused his recall and may possibly result in his removal from office before he has had a chance to show what he can do.

Crane was in San Francisco, ready to sail for his new post, when he received the telegram from Secretary Knox summoning him to Washington. Before responding to the call he conferred with the President, but evidently received little satisfaction. The matter is causing no little talk in official circles.

GAYNOR CHARGES HEARST GAVE HIM DOUBLE CROSS

NEW YORK, October 11.—Justice William J. Gaynor, Democratic nominee for mayor of Greater New York, charges William Randolph Hearst with having betrayed him. In a public statement, issued yesterday, Gaynor says that the journalist-politician asked him to run for the mayoralty and pledged to give him every support, no matter on what ticket he might be nominated.

The acceptance of a nomination for the same office on an independent ticket, by Hearst, Gaynor characterizes as a breach of trust. Gaynor is very angry at what he considers the duplicity of the man who first induced him to allow his name to be used in connection with the mayoralty.

Hearst last night responded to Gaynor's scathing arraignment by denying that he promised the noted jurist unrestricted support. Hearst insists that he betrayed no one in accepting the independent nomination and that there is nothing in any pledges made to Gaynor which would forbid him accepting the nomination tendered him.

TOKIO PAPERS DO NOT LOOK FOR INTERFERENCE

TOKIO, October 11.—No credence is given here to the report that the United States will enter a protest against the terms of the agreement between Japan and China in regard to the construction of the Antung-Mukden railroad. Sensational rumors of probable official action at Washington have been received from time to time, but have made little or no impression.

The leading newspapers of this city yesterday printed strong editorials declaring it to be unbelievable that the United States would take any action in the matter and expressing every confidence that Japan and China will be allowed to carry out the terms of their agreement without any attempts at influence on the part of the outside powers.

There has been much discussion over the reported attitude of the United States in the matter, but the opinion, held in high government circles, is that the rumors were started by persons, who, for personal reasons, rather hoped that the United States would take some hand in the matter.

GREAT CROWDS HEAR TAFT DELIVER TALK AT FRESNO

FRESNO, October 11.—President Taft yesterday delivered a sermon here in the presence of the largest crowd ever assembled in this city. There was a wild rush for seats and though every effort was made to provide accommodations for all who might come, many persons were turned away disappointed.

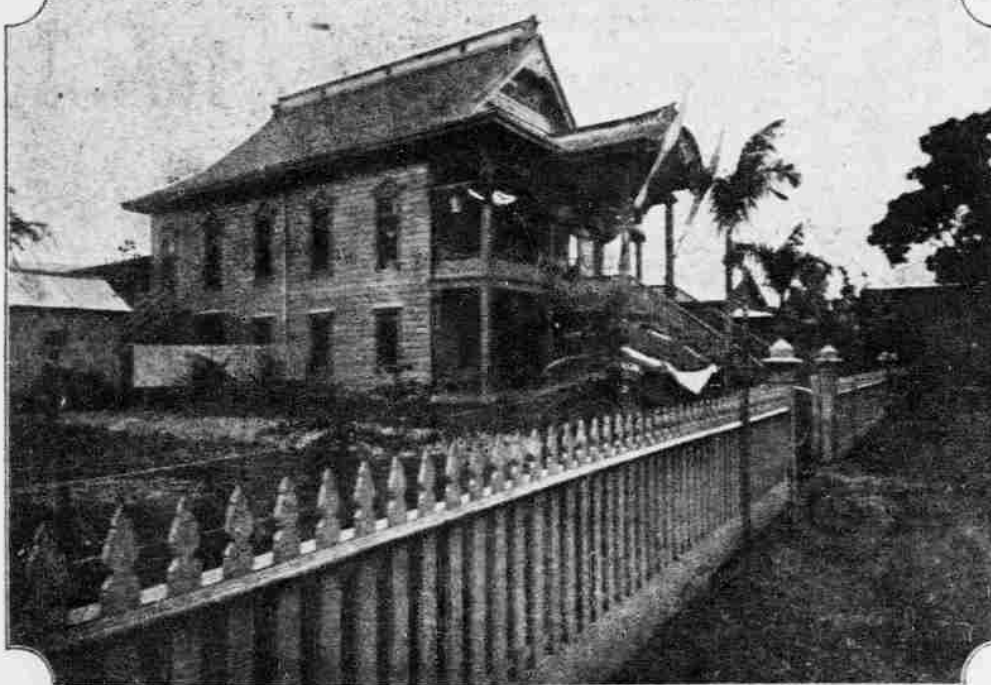
After his address here the President and his party started for Los Angeles. The train left at 6:25 o'clock last night and will reach Los Angeles this morning shortly after sunrise.

The President is very much refreshed as the result of the three days which he spent in the Yosemite Valley. In answer to all inquiries he stated that he had enjoyed his brief vacation immensely and he seemed greatly impressed with the scenic wonders of the great natural garden.

RAIN FORCES POSTPONEMENT

DETROIT, October 11.—The third game of the great championship baseball series, scheduled to be played today, will probably have to be postponed. Heavy rains fell yesterday and last night and, in consequence, the ball park is in no condition for play this morning.

There is great enthusiasm over the championship series and yesterday's rains caused dismay among the fans. Had the game been played today according to schedule, there would have been a record-breaking attendance. The game will be played just as soon as the rain lets up long enough for the ground to dry out.



WEST HONGWANJI MISSION ON FORT STREET
Where unique religious services will be held this morning.